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## Chickens and Eggs



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This report contains the results from the **Monthly Chickens and Eggs Survey**. Thanks to all who responded.

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### March Egg Production Down 1 Percent

United States egg production totaled 9.53 billion during March 2020, down 1 percent from last year. Production included 8.29 billion table eggs, and 1.24 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.15 billion were broiler-type and 90.3 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during March 2020 averaged 395 million, down 3 percent from last year. March egg production per 100 layers was 2,411 eggs, up 1 percent from March 2019.

Total layers in the United States on April 1, 2020 totaled 396 million, down 3 percent from last year. The 396 million layers consisted of 331 million layers producing table or market type eggs, 61.8 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 3.40 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on April 1, 2020, averaged 78.0 eggs per 100 layers, up 1 percent from April 1, 2019.

### Egg Production by Type — States and United States: March 2019 and 2020

State	Total production			Table eggs			Hatching eggs		
	2019	2020	Percent of previous year	2019	2020	Percent of previous year	2019	2020	Percent of previous year
	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(percent)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(percent)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(percent)
Alabama .....	194.0	207.0	107	35.2	36.4	103	158.8	170.6	107
Georgia .....	438.0	429.6	98	242.2	229.9	95	195.8	199.7	102
South Carolina .....	99.8	87.1	87	77.1	63.6	82	22.7	23.5	104
United States .....	9,674.8	9,530.5	99	8,469.9	8,290.5	98	1,204.9	1,240.0	103

Source: USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service - [Chickens and Eggs](#), April 2020

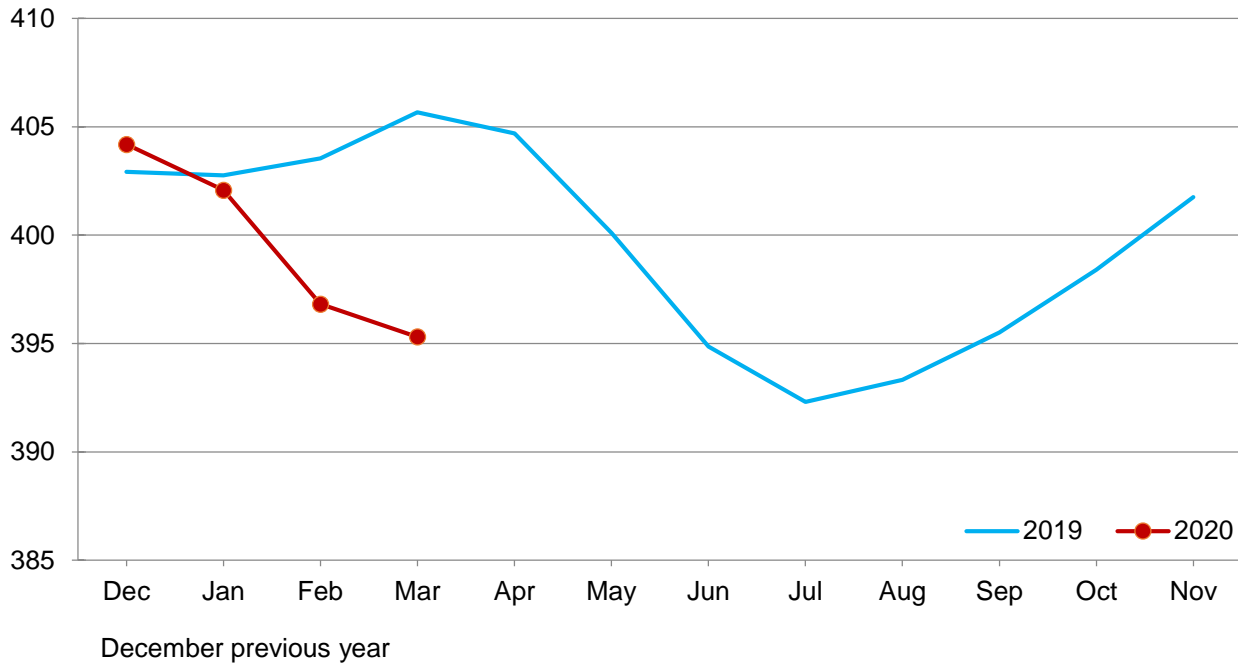
### Layers on Hand and Eggs Produced — States and United States: During March 2019 and 2020

State	Total egg layers in flocks 30,000 and above			All layers			Eggs per 100 for all layers		
	2019	2020	Percent of previous year	2019	2020	Percent of previous year	2019	2020	Percent of previous year
	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(percent)	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(percent)	(eggs)	(eggs)	(percent)
Alabama .....	1,421	1,425	100	10,203	10,697	105	1,901	1,935	102
Georgia .....	9,981	9,191	92	20,513	19,771	96	2,135	2,173	102
South Carolina .....	2,972	2,575	87	4,259	3,909	92	2,343	2,228	95
United States .....	327,245	314,888	96	405,672	395,312	97	2,385	2,411	101

Source: USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service - [Chickens and Eggs](#), April 2020

## Average Layers During the Month — United States

Million layers



## All Egg Production During the Month — United States

Million eggs

